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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed July 18, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claim 6 as follows:

6.

(Amended) A method of manufacturing a

semiconductor device, said method comprising:

forming an amorphous semiconductor film on an

insulating surface;

introducing a metal element being capable of promoting crystallization of the amorphous semiconductor film to

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